

Allenstown, NH



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County
Labor Market Area
Tourism Region
Planning Commission
Regional Development

Merrimack
Manchester, NH Metropolitan NECTA
Merrimack Valley
Central NH Regional
Capital Regional Development Council

Election Districts

US Congress
Executive Council
State Senate
State Representative

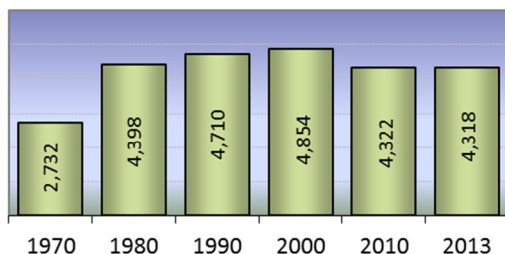
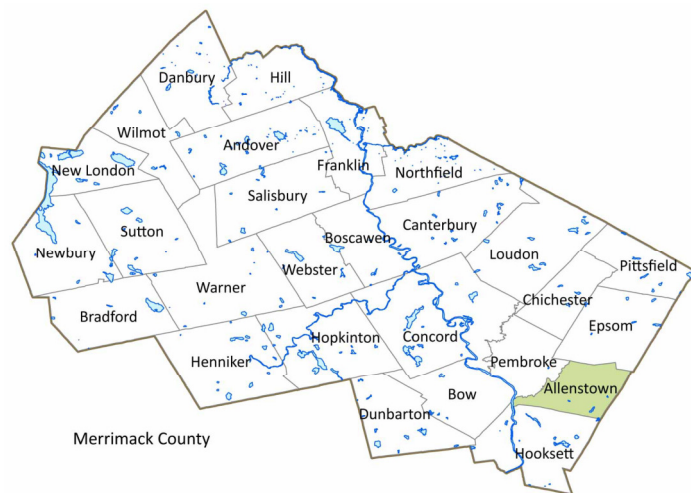
District 2
District 4
District 17
Merrimack County Districts 22, 29

Incorporated: 1831

Origin: First granted in 1721, Allenstown was named after Samuel Allen, governor of the province while still under the jurisdiction of Massachusetts just prior to 1700. A portion of Bow was annexed to the town in 1815, and a portion of Hooksett in 1853. The area was once known as excellent bear country, and a good hunting ground for wild geese and ducks. Allenstown is home to Bear Brook State Park, the largest developed state park in New Hampshire, according to the NH Division of Parks and Recreation. The park covers nearly 10,000 acres and offers historical museums along with recreational swimming, hiking, biking, camping, and fishing.

Villages and Place Names: Suncook, Blodgett

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 254 residents in 1790



Population Trends: Population change for Allenstown totaled 2,529 over 53 years, from 1,789 in 1960 to 4,318 in 2013. The largest decennial percent change was a 61 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, which followed a 53 percent increase over the previous decade. The 2013 Census estimate for Allenstown was 4,318 residents, which ranked 86th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2013 (US Census Bureau): 210.9 persons per square mile of land area. Allenstown contains 20.5 square miles of land area and 0.1 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES			
Type of Government		Selectmen	
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2014		\$5,938,531	
Budget: School Appropriations, 2014		\$9,756,468	
Zoning Ordinance		1960/14	
Master Plan		2003	
Capital Improvement Plan		Yes	
Industrial Plans Reviewed By		Planning Board	
Boards and Commissions			
Elected:	Selectmen; Sewer; Library; Checklist; Trust Funds; Budget; Cemetery		
Appointed:	Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Parks & Recreation		
Public Library	Allenstown Public		
EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department		Full-time	
Fire Department		Municipal	
Emergency Medical Service		Full-time	
Nearest Hospital(s)		Distance	Staffed Beds
Concord Hospital, Concord		9 miles	237
UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier		Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop	
Natural Gas Supplier		Liberty Utilities	
Water Supplier		Pembroke Water Works	
Sanitation		Private septic & municipal	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant		Yes	
Solid Waste Disposal			
Curbside Trash Pickup		Municipal	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program		No	
Recycling Program		Mandatory	
Telephone Company		Fairpoint	
Cellular Telephone Access		Yes	
Cable Television Access		Yes	
Public Access Television Station		No	
High Speed Internet Service:		Business	Yes
		Residential	Yes
PROPERTY TAXES		(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2013 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$31.53	
2013 Equalization Ratio		98.2	
2013 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$31.13	
2013 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings		77.5%	
Commercial Land and Buildings		19.3%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other		3.2%	
HOUSING		(ACS 2009-2013)	
Total Housing Units		1,738	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached		815	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure		210	
Five or More Units in Structure		302	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units		411	

DEMOGRAPHICS (US Census Bureau)		
Total Population	Community	County
2013	4,318	146,807
2010	4,322	146,445
2000	4,854	136,716
1990	4,710	120,618
1980	4,398	98,302
1970	2,732	80,925
Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2009-2013		
Population by Gender		
Male	1,985	Female 2,333
Population by Age Group		
Under age 5		258
Age 5 to 19		809
Age 20 to 34		849
Age 35 to 54		1,508
Age 55 to 64		470
Age 65 and over		424
Median Age		39.6 years
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over		
High school graduate or higher		88.5%
Bachelor's degree or higher		13.0%
INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ (ACS 2009-2013)		
Per capita income		\$24,544
Median family income		\$62,030
Median household income		\$52,368
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers		
Male		\$44,521
Female		\$35,846
Individuals below the poverty level		7.6%
LABOR FORCE (NHES – ELMI)		
Annual Average	2003	2013
Civilian labor force	2,862	2,496
Employed	2,731	2,343
Unemployed	131	153
Unemployment rate	4.6%	6.1%
EMPLOYMENT & WAGES (NHES – ELMI)		
Annual Average Covered Employment	2003	2013
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	85	197
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 625	\$ 656
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	332	379
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 424	\$ 688
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	417	576
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 465	\$ 677
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	158	159
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 525	\$ 700
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	575	735
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 482	\$ 682

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Allenstown operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Pembroke**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Concord Regional Technology Center**

District: **SAU 53**
 Region: **11**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1	1	1
Grade Levels	K 1-5	6-8	9-12	1-8
Total Enrollment	253	137	32	17

Nearest Community College: **NHTI-Concord**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Southern NH University; Mount Washington College; UNH-Manchester**

2014 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)

Total Facilities: **3** Total Capacity: **157**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Thomas Hodgson & Sons, Inc.	Novelty yarns	70	1880
Suncook Business Park	Offices	35	
Tuff Crete	Concrete	10	2000
Mailways	Distribution	10	2001
15 Retail Stores	Retail merchandise		
Spruce Pond Camp	Camping activities		
Bear Brook Campground	Camping		

TRANSPORTATION (*distances estimated from city/town hall*)

Road Access	US Routes	3
	State Routes	28
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-93, Exit 11	
	Distance	5 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Concord Municipal	Runway	6,005 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	16 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		4
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		11 miles
Portland, Maine		101 miles
Boston, Mass.		62 miles
New York City, NY		267 miles
Montreal, Quebec		255 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (*ACS 2009-2013*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	91.3%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	4.0%
Public transportation	0.0%
Walked	1.0%
Other means	0.0%
Worked at home	3.6%
Mean Travel Time to Work	28.3 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2009-2013

Working in community of residence	6.9
Commuting to another NH community	87.6
Commuting out-of-state	5.5

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
X	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
X	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
X	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
X	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Pat's Peak
	Other: Bear Brook State Park; Bear Brook Museum Complex